# Minutes of Meeting SATS POLICY COMMITTEE April 13, 2023

#### **ATTENDANCE**

#### **Policy Committee (Voting Members):**

	Steve Schoeffel, Chair	Sangamon Mass Transit District		
$\boxtimes$	Kathleen Alcorn, Vice Chair	City of Springfield		
	Jeff Myers*	Illinois Dept. of Transportation (IDOT): Region 4, District 6		
	Brian McFadden	Sangamon County		
$\boxtimes$	Eric Hansen** Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission			
	Dave Kimsey Village of Chatham			

- \* Represented by Brian Wright
- \*\* Represented by Joe Zeibert

#### **Policy Committee (Non-Voting Members):**

Betsy Tracy		Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office		
$\boxtimes$	Robert Innis	IDOT: Office of Planning & Programming		

#### Others Present:

SSCRPC Staff

Shannan Karrick

Jason Sass

Others in Attendance

Tony Greep, FTA (via Zoom)

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Steve Schoeffel called the meeting of the SATS Policy Committee to order at 12:00 PM.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Steve Schoeffel asked for a motion to approve the minutes from March 9, 2023, SATS Policy Committee Meeting. Dave Kimsey made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Brian Wright seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

#### III. <u>TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT</u>

Shannan Karrick reported that Sara Jimenez from KIND Consulting made a presentation on The Hub. Two videos of the building were shown and the two murals were discussed. She also stated that the Technical Committee had voted to recommend approval of both LRTP Amendment 15 and FY 2023- 2027 Tip Amendment Four. Ms. Karrick concluded her report by distributing flyers for and announcing the Public Workshop on the 9<sup>th</sup> Street/Peoria Road and Route 66 Corridors.

#### IV. 2045 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP)

A. Amendment 15 – Improvements at I & M Rail Crossings. Shannan Karrick introduced Amendment 15:



## RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE AMENDMENT FIFTEEN TO THE 2045 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the SATS Long Range Transportation Plan takes a long-term (25-year) look at transportation needs in the Springfield Metropolitan Planning Area; envisions an efficient, interconnected, multi-modal travel network; and identifies projects to make this vision a reality; and

WHEREAS, the Long Range Transportation Plan is updated every five years and was most recently updated on June 11, 2020 as the SATS 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, all projects with identified funding sources and anticipated to be completed during the period 2020 – 2024 are listed as Committed Projects in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, funding has been obtained for the following projects shown below that will be added to the "Road and Bridge Projects – Short Term" list in the SATS 2045 LRTP; and

	Project Description	TIP-#	Type of Improvement	Jurisdiction	Cost (VOE)
122	Griffiths Avenue (FAU 7969), East Converse Street (FAU 7971), Moffat Avenue (MUN 1742): at the Illinois and Midland Railroad Crossings (IDOT Crossing #s 169957M, 169959 B, 169961C)	02-2023-09	Install new automatic flashing light signals and gates and new constant warning time circuitry with event recorder and remote monitor and replace crossing surface	Springfield	\$1,496,851

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Technical Committee, the Policy Committee has voted to endorse Amendment Fifteen to the 2045 Long Range Transportation, Plan.

Endorsed on this 13th day of April, 2023

ATTEST:

Steve Schoeffel, Chair SATS Policy Committee

Joe Zeibert made a motion to approve the amendment as submitted. Brian McFadden seconded the motion. The vote to approve Amendment 15 to the LRTP was unanimous.

#### V. FY 2023 – 2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

A. Amendment 4 – Improvements at I & M Rail Crossings. Shannan Karrick introduced Amendment 4:



## RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT FOUR TO THE FY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY 2023-2026 on August 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield, requests adding the following project to FY 2023 in the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program as shown below; and

#### Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class		Location		Action/Comments	Map #	Funding Source		Total Cost
9	Griffiths Avenue (FAU 7969), East Converse Street (FAU 7971), Moffat Avenue (MUN 1742)	Termini:	Railroad crossings at the Illinois and Midland Railroad (IDOT Crossing #s 169957M, 169959 B, 169961C)	Install new automatic flashing light signals and gates and new constant warning time circuitry with event recorder and remote	122	Federal Railway- Highway Crossing Program (Section 130)	\$1,496,851	
	City of Springfield	Contract #		monitor and replace	ace			
	Collector / Local	TIP#	02-2023-09	crossing surface			\$1.4	196,851

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that upon recommendation of the Technical Committee, the Policy Committee has voted to endorse Amendment Four to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

Endorsed on this 13th day of April, 2023

Steve Schoeffel, Chair

SATS Policy Committee

Dave Kimsey made a motion to approve the amendment as submitted. Brian McFadden seconded the motion. The vote to approve Amendment Four to the FY 2023 – 2026 TIP was unanimous.

#### VI. SATS ADVISOR UPDATES

### A. Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT): Office of Planning & Programming (OPP) Bob Innis announced:

The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the current round of Charging and Fueling Infrastructure grants was released recently. Interested parties should contact Chris Schmidt or Elizabeth Irving for guidance. A portion of unspent planning funds will be used to secure a consultant to develop Safe Streets for All Safety Plans for all participating MPOs.

### B. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA): IL Division Office No update.

#### VII. AGENCY UPDATES

#### A. Springfield-Sangamon Regional Planning Commission (SSCRPC)

Shannan Karrick reported the following:

Transportation staff attended the Rural Transit Assistance Center's annual conference and the statewide MPO meeting in March. The draft FY 2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) was submitted to IDOT to begin drafting the annual agreements. Staff have also begun working on the FY 2024 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and recently completed the review of Ecopia's land use as part of the quality control process.

#### B. Sangamon Mass Transit District (SMTD)

Steve Schoeffel reported on the following:

SMTD is currently seeking state concurrence for eight hybrid (diesel/electric) buses. Several other projects are currently underway as well.

#### C. City of Springfield

Kathleen Alcorn reported on the following:

She had recently attended Watercon 2023. The replacement of lead lines was a major topic of discussion. Copper lines are recommended from the city's line to the residence at a current cost of approximately \$3,000 to \$4,000.

Ms. Alcorn stated that this would be her last month on the Policy committee. She offered to provide assistance to the committee in any way possible and thanked the committee for welcoming her and their service.

#### D. Sangamon County

Brian McFadden reported the following:

#### **Springfield-Sangamon County Transportation Center:**

Ninety-nine percent design plans should be completed by the end of the month. The request for proposal (RFP) bids should be in hand by the end of summer.

#### E. Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT): Region 4, District 6

Brian Wright reported the following:

Greg Heckel, formerly a materials engineer with IDOT, has been hired as a program development engineer to fill Sal Madonia's position.

#### F. Village of Chatham

Dave Kimsey reported the following:

#### Gordon Drive: East Walnut Street to Oakbrook Drive (local funds)

The overlay is expected to begin in May.

Maintenance projects currently underway include concrete patching on Plummer Boulevard and on the bike trail.

The Village will also be relocating a portion of the trail at the community park in order to expand the parking lot.

#### VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments.

#### IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

#### X. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. New FY 2023 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Shannan Karrick stated that project lists from the current TIP had been sent out to jurisdictions, and are due back May 1<sup>st</sup>. The TIP will go out for public review following June's Technical Committee meeting with adoption at the July Policy Committee meeting.

#### B. Next Meeting Date: May 11, 2023

#### XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Steve Schoeffel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Brian McFadden made a motion to adjourn. Kathleen Alcorn seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 12:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shannan Karrick, Recording Secretary